

OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
JANUARY 23, 2006

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present at the meeting were Chairperson Joyce Steward, Vice-Chair George Greb, and Committee members Don Burgess, Linda Greck, Casey Lee, Christina Pellicane and George Greb.

Also in attendance from the Town were Michael Mungal, Braulio Rosa and Councilmember Starkey.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 26, 2005 and December 15, 2005

Ms. Greck made a motion, seconded by Dr. Pellicane, to approve the September 26, 2005 Minutes, pending corrections. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 6-0)

Dr. Pellicane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Greb, to approve the December 15, 2005 Minutes, pending corrections. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 6-0)

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 UPDATE ON TRAIL SYSTEM MAP CHANGES – MONUMENT OVERLAY

Mr. Mungal distributed maps illustrating plans for monument details for the Committee's review.

Committee members held general discussion while looking over the maps.

[Councilmember Starkey and Braulio Rosa arrived at 8:20 p.m.]

Ms. Lee asked whether developers could be asked to provide monuments. Councilmember Starkey felt this was a reasonable request.

Ms. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Burgess, to have staff recommend that developers contribute to costs and implementation of a monument sign when developing a trail on the properties they are developing, consistent with the Town's approved design. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 6-0)

3.2 ADOPT-A-PARK PROGRAM INITIATIVE – NEXT STEPS

Chair Steward asked for an update on this program. Mr. Mungal advised that Mr. Rosa would address the Committee on this. Mr. Rosa suggested that an article be published in *The Davie Update* to highlight this program. Ms. Greck asked how the program would be monitored or administered. Councilmember Starkey advised that Public Works Director, Bruce Bernard, would monitor the program.

Councilmember Starkey suggested that the Committee consider approaching businesses for corporate sponsorship of this program.

4.2 UPDATE ON TOWN'S WEBSITE FOR OPEN SPACE AND PARKS (new photos, committee minutes and agendas)

Regarding the Town's website, Braulio Rosa updated the Committee on new features added to the site related to the Open Space program. He also spoke of the need for fresh pictures on the site. Ms. Greck thanked Mr. Rosa for his efforts. Ms. ~~Greck~~ Steward asked about the possibility of adding a link to OSAC meeting Agendas and Minutes to the site. Mr. Rosa indicated he would confer with Mr. Mungal on providing this feature.

3.3 Research of current impact fees and proposed recommendations to Town Council

Chair Steward spoke of the need for a general increase in impact fees. Mr. Mungal advised that the Town's resolution 89-224 on this item indicated that the unit cost per residence ranged from \$442.80 to \$811.00. He spoke of the range of fees he had come across in researching other municipalities. Mr. Mungal referred the Committee to a report he distributed but advised he did not find much useful information from other local municipalities as many did not have open space programs. Ms. Greck did not want to change the formula used but rather make an adjustment to increase the fees. Fees should be adjusted to be in alignment with home values.

Chair Steward made a motion, seconded by Mr. Burgess, to recommend that the Town's impact fees be raised 100% from the current rate. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 6-0)

3.4 Update on access to trail easement for Stonebrook Development

Mr. Mungal advised that he had spoken with Ron Reitsma of the HOA who was working along with the Town to improve and restore access to the trail easement at the Stonebrook Development. He requested that the Committee members email him with any further concerns on this issue. Ms. Greck asked that staff respond to a resident who had concerns about this trail. Mr. Mungal requested the resident's contact information and agreed to contact her.

3.5 Update on Hiatus trail along SW 26th to Robbins (sprinkler cap removal) and wet spot along SW 37th Street near Long Lake Ranches

Mr. Mungal advised that sprinkler caps along SW 37th Street had been removed as the Committee previously requested. Ms. Lee voiced her concern about lack of monitoring of the Town's irrigation system. Councilmember Starkey advised that Long Lake had hired a new company for landscaping. Mr. Mungal felt the Committee

needed to make it a requirement that landscaping companies also be responsible for monitoring irrigation.

3.6 Grand Oaks Gate at Flamingo and 36th Street (now open and unlocked)

This item was discussed earlier in the meeting.

3.7 Scheduling of tours to determine current trail system infrastructure – Multiple trips planned

Mr. Mungal spoke of the costs of conducting bus tours throughout the Town's parks and trail system. He recommended setting possible tour dates on a Saturday anywhere from February 25 through the end of March when the weather was favorable.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 UPDATE ON OPEN SPACE BOND TASK FORCE MEETING AND CRITERIA – Linda Greck

Ms. Greck updated the Committee on the progress of the Open Space Bond Task Force's efforts to establish criteria for land acquisition and capital improvements on properties.

4.2 Update on Town's Website for Open Space and Parks (new photos, committee minutes and agendas)

This item was discussed earlier in the meeting.

4.3 Hurricane cleanup and conditions of trails and parks

Mr. Mungal spoke of ongoing efforts to continue hurricane cleanup of the Town's trails and parks.

4.4 Update on proposed trail on corner of Flamingo and Orange (Westridge Oaks) – Joyce Steward

Chair Steward advised that she had attended the community meeting with the developer on this issue. She advised that the plans involved taking the horse trail from Orange Drive along the existing road on the east side of the property, continuing the trail out along the northern end of the property, then installing a traffic light at the crossover at Flamingo Road, which would tie in with trail on the other side of Flamingo Road.

4.5 OSAC 2005 Achievement Report – Joyce Steward

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Chair Steward distributed copies of the Committee's **2005 Achievement Report**. Ms. Greck and the Committee members commended Ms. Steward for the work done on the report.

5. COMMENTS AND/OR SUGGESTIONS

Ms. Greck wanted stricter rezoning criteria for open space parcels and requested that staff draft a resolution to address this. The Committee members were in agreement on this. Mr. Mungal advised he would investigate this.

Ms. Greck wanted the Town to do more to educate drivers on equestrian etiquette either through signage or through articles provided in *The Davie Update*.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Burgess made a motion, seconded by Dr. Pellicane, to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 6-0)

Approved

Chairperson/Committee Member